10/571511 IAP9 Rec'd PCT/PTO 10 MAR 2006

Attorney Docket No. 10084-0004.00000 Customer Number 22,852 Client Ref. FP-039PCT-US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

 ψ .

In re Application of: Toshio DOI et al.

Application No.: Not Yet Assigned

Filed: Concurrently herewith

For: METHOD AND KIT FOR DETECTING PROLIFERATIVE DISEASES CAUSING

SCLEROSIS, PREVENTIVE AND/OR REMEDY FOR PROLIFERATIVE

DISEASES CAUSING SCLEROSIS AND METHOD AND KIT FOR IDENTIFYING

SUBSTANCE EFFICACIOUS IN PREVENTING AND/OR TREATING

PROLIFERATIVE DISEASES CAUSING SCLEROSIS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dated: 3/10/06

Sir:

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 365 and 35 U.S.C. §119, Applicants hereby claim the benefit of the International Application, PCT/JP2004/013124, filed September 9, 2004 (Published as WO 2005/026344 A1) which in turn claims the benefit of Japanese Application, No. 2003-319538 filed September 11, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

y: // Chris T. Mizumoto

Reg. No. 42,899

CTM/en